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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN

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SUBJECT: NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING - POSSIBLE CARAMANLIS

ATTENDANCE

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1. FORMIN BITSIOS TELEPHONED ME THIS MORNING TO SAY THAT HE HAD TALKED TO PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS LAST NIGHT CONCERNING THE UPCOMING NATO SUMMIT MEETING IN BRUSSELS. BITSIOS SAID THAT CARAMANLIS WAS VERY PLEASED TO LEARN THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY WERE AVAILABLE ON THE MORNING OF MAY 29 FOR A MEETING WITH HIM AND SAID THAT CARAMANLIS WANTED THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY TO KNOW THAT HE LOOKS FORWARD "WITH PLEASURE" TO SEEING THEM AT THAT TIME "IF HE GOES" TO THE SUMMIT MEETING. BITSIOS SAID THAT CARAMANLIS HAD NOT MADE A FINAL DECISION AS TO HIS AGGENDANCE AS YET, BUT THAT HE EXPECTED TO MAKE SUCH A DECISION "VERY SOON" AND WOULD LET US KNOW AT ONCE.

2. BITSIOS GAVE ME THE STRONG IMPRESSION THAT CARAMANLIS WOULD IN FACT ATTEND BUT FOR SOME REASON OR OTHER DID NOT WISH IT TO BECOME KNOWN AS YET. I ALSO GOT THE IMPRESSION THAT CARAMANLIS WOULD LET US KNOW HIS DECISION WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, AND, UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, IF I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING DEFINITE BY MONDAY MAY 12 I SHALL FOLLOW
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UP ON THE MATTER. IN THE MEANTIME, I CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND

THAT TIME BE HELD FOR THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY TO
SEE CARAMANLIS IN BRUSSELS THE MORNING OF MAY 29.

3. PLEASE REPEAT OTHER POSTS AS DESIRED.
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